A Strategic Roadmap for the Implementation of New Approaches to Safety Evaluation

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In Francis Collins’ recent testimony to the congressional subcommittee with NIH budget oversight responsibility, he offered that:

“Animal safety testing for environmental chemicals and drugs will largely be replaced by tissue chips and iPS cells in 10 years.”

“…..giving results that are more accurate, at lower cost and higher throughput.”

http://www.appropriations.senate.gov/hearings/hearing-on-fy2017-national-institutes-of-health-budget-request
Eroom’s Law

Diagnosing the decline in pharmaceutical R&D efficiency
Jack W. Scannell, Alex Blanchley, Helen Boldon & Brian Warrington
Nature Reviews Drug Discovery 11, 191-200 (March 2012)
It is difficult for evolving institutional practices to keep pace with revolutionary advances in science and technology.
We Need a National Roadmap

- Provides a framework to support the planning and coordination of technology development

- Helps federal agencies identify consensus goals and coordinate key activities required to achieve them

- Facilitates communication and collaboration within and between government agencies, stakeholders, and international partners
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- 2-day face-to-face interagency meeting to start process of establishing mission / vision / goals / objectives

- 85 participants from 16 Agencies and other interagency committees/consortia (e.g., Tox21, DoD Tri-Services Toxicology Consortium, Toxics and Risks Chemical Toxicity Assessment working group, etc...)

- Professional Facilitation
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Vision

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Mission

Federal agencies, the regulated community, and interested stakeholders will work together to explore new approaches for evaluating the safety of chemicals and medical products in the United States while collaborating with international partners to facilitate global harmonization of new testing approaches. The successful development and implementation of new approaches will require integrated efforts that:

- Help end-users (agencies and industry) guide the development of new tools to support regulatory and research needs
- Foster the use of timely, flexible and robust practices to establish confidence in new methods, and
- Encourage the adoption and use of new approaches by Federal agencies and regulated industries.
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• Identify and utilize appropriate metrics for prioritizing activities, monitoring progress, and measuring success
Publishing the Strategic Roadmap

- **Jun**: NTP BSC
- **Aug**: 14 Aug Publish Draft
- **18-19 Sep**: SACATM NIH, Bethesda
- **Dec**: Publish Final
Implementation Plans

- Acute Toxicity
  - Oral Lethality
  - Dermal Lethality
  - Inhalation Lethality
  - Dermal Sensitization
  - Dermal Irritation / Corrosion
  - Ocular Irritation / Corrosion
Public-Private Partnerships

- Read Across
- In Vitro to In Vivo Extrapolation (IVIVE)
- DART
Comments and Suggestions
Questions for BSC

- Please comment on the strategic roadmap’s objectives as outlined in the mission as a means for achieving the safe, effective, and timely implementation of human-based, predictive approaches for toxicity testing.

- Please comment on outreach efforts that NTP might consider for engagement with key stakeholders.

- Please comment on the value of using results from animal-based testing to establish confidence in new human-based approaches.